

## REMARKS

### In the Oath/Declaration

A new Oath/Declaration of the Applicants is enclosed herein, as requested in the Office Action.

### In the Abstract

The Abstract has been amended to reduce word count to less than 150 words and to introduce narrative form.

### In the Claims

Claims 3-21 are pending in the application and are canceled herein. New claims 22-25 are being presented. It is believed that the new claims introduce no new matter.

Because claims 3-21 have been canceled, the pending objections and rejections are now moot. The following remarks are presented to expedite allowance of the application.

The Office Action of May 26, 2009 has indicated that claim 12 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

New claim 22 includes all the limitations of canceled claim 12 and of canceled claims 3, from which claim 12 depended. In addition, the following changes have been made in claim 22 from the recitations of canceled claims 3 and 12, consistently with the comments in the Office Action:

- A. The amount of the polyaminomethylenephosphonate composition has been amended to read "higher than 0.01%" in weight. This recitation is consistent with the specification, e.g. the Abstract.

- B. The last limitation now reads “wherein the liquid solution or dispersion further comprises a ceramic composition selected from the group consisting of clay, ceramic glass, and silicone carbide whiskers,” providing proper antecedent basis to “ceramic composition.”

Conclusion

All the objections and rejections in the Office Action have been addressed. In view of the amendments and remarks submitted herein, Applicant believes that the application is now in condition for allowance and respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowance be timely issued.

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Respectfully submitted,

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